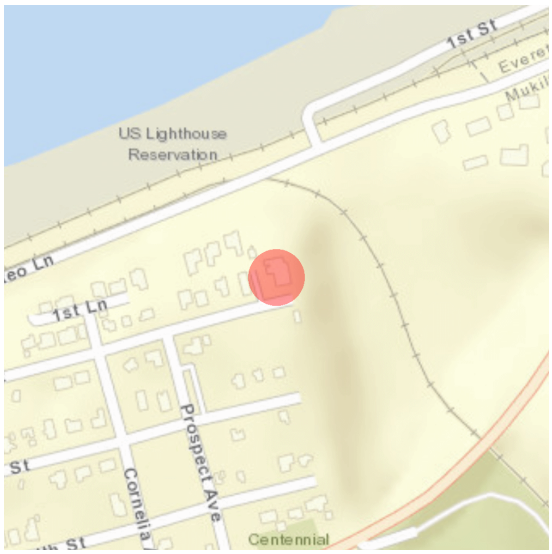
# Historic Property Report

Historic Name: Royal Neighbors Hall / Hawthorne Hall  Property ID: 17712

## Location



**Address:** 1134 2nd St, Mukilteo, WA 98275

**Geographic Areas:** Snohomish County, T28R04E04, MUKILTEO Quadrangle, Congressional District 2, 21

## Information

**Number of stories:**

**Construction Dates:**

| Construction Type | Year | Circa |
|---|---|---|
| Built Date | 1925 | ☑ |

**Historic Use:**

| Category | Subcategory |
|---|---|
| Social | Social - Clubhouse |
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**Historic Context:**

| Category |
|---|
| Architecture |
| Social History - Women's History |

**Architect/Engineer:**

| Category | Name or Company |
|---|---|

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**Thematics:**

**Local Registers and Districts**

| Name | Date Listed | Notes |
|---|---|---|

## Project History

| Project Number, Organization, Project Name | Resource Inventory | SHPO Determination | SHPO Determined By, Determined Date |
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## Photos

HawthorneHall_Mukilteo.jpg

Seattle Daily Times March 20, 1928

**Plan to Replace Mukilteo School Leveled by Fire**

Special to The Times.

MUKILTEO, Tuesday, March 20.—Pupils in the Mukilteo school district today were attending classes in the Royal Neighbors' hall and in the four churches in the town while district executives were planning erection of a fireproof building to replace the grade school and annex destroyed by fire Saturday night.

The aggregate loss was $40,000, fully covered by insurance. A short circuit in the electric wiring is believed to have caused the blaze which razed the school. The annex burned after the Mukilteo fire department and firemen from Everett had believed the fire under control and the Everett unit had returned to the city.

Mukilteo directors Monday had a word of compliment for Principal Erwin S. Black for the efficient way in which he organized for work in the temporary school quarters. Books and equipment were borrowed. No attempt will be made to purchase a new stock of books as new adoptions are to be made generally throughout the county for the ensuing year.

HawthorneHall_Mukilteo4.JPG

*Royal Neighbors Hall, mid-1950s.*

HawthorneHall_Mukilteo2.JPG

*Thelma Weers Kane standing in front of the Royal Neighbors Hall in 1928.*

HawthorneHall_Mukilteo3.JPG

HawthorneHall_Mukilteo1.pdf

Original HPI form(s)

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## Inventory Details - 1/1/1900

**Common name:** Mukilteo Boys and Girls Club

**Date recorded:** 1/1/1900

**Field Recorder:**

**Field Site number:** 31-06

**SHPO Determination**

## Detail Information

**Styles:**

| Period | Style Details |
|---|---|
| Early 20th Century American Movements (1900-1940) | Craftsman |

### Surveyor Opinion

**Property appears to meet criteria for the National Register of Historic Places:** No

**Significance narrative:** The Royal Neighbors-Mukilteo Chapter, also known as, "The Lodge," was the only women's organization in the Mukilteo community in 1920. The Royal Neighbors Organization was founded in Illinois in 1895 by nine women, the wives of Modern Woodmen members. These nine women formed a fraternal benefit society that was one of the first to offer life insurance to women and children. It currently remains a socially conscious organization empowering women, whereby members are civic-minded, service-oriented and committed to community service. The name Royal Neighbors of America combines the focus of neighbor helping neighbor with the word "royal," that signified their belief in the nobility of the work they do. Royal Neighbors was at the forefront of social change, providing support of the suffragette movement and the 19th amendment, providing disaster relief, war bond efforts during WWII and other social relief and outreach activities over the years.

Mukilteo Royal Neighbors members were instrumental in outreach efforts to ensure a new community hall was built. Crown Lumber Company donated the land in 1920. To raise funds for lumber and materials, chapter members gave parties, dinners and according to an Everett Daily Herald article dated Feb. 10, 1951, "Women of the lodge neglected their household chores and canvassed the town for donations." This social activism and commitment extended to husbands and other mill workers, who, when not working their mill jobs, volunteered evenings and weekends to construct the building.

Florence Camp, who had been a Royal Neighbor member since the early 1900s, had the idea for a dome-shaped ceiling, which provided excellent acoustical qualities.

Charles Camp and Arthur Richter, who were volunteers, managed and worked on the project. This was no easy feat, taking five years to complete the building in 1925 at a cost of $5,000.00.

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## Inventory Details - 7/3/2011

**Common name:** Mukilteo Boys and Girls Club

**Date recorded:** 7/3/2011

**Field Recorder:** Artifacts Consulting, Inc.

**Field Site number:** 31-06

**SHPO Determination**

## Detail Information

**Characteristics:**

| Category | Item |
|---|---|
| **Structural System** | Wood - Platform Frame |

### Surveyor Opinion

**Property appears to meet criteria for the National Register of Historic Places:** No

**Significance narrative:** Data included on this historic property inventory form (HPI) detail stemmed from County Assessor building records imported by the Washington State Department of Archaeology of Historic Preservation (DAHP) into WISAARD in 2011. This upload reduces data entry burden on community volunteers and historical societies participating in the survey and inventory of their communities. The intent of this project is directed specifically to facilitating community and public involvement in stewardship, increasing data accuracy, and providing a versatile planning tool to Certified Local Governments (CLGs).

Currently survey and inventory projects at the local level produce a field form for each property surveyed and include digital photographs. Volunteers doing the survey track down and manually enter all the owner, parcel, and legal data manually. Manual data entry diminishes accuracy and quantity of resources volunteers can survey. Recognizing this, DAHP uploaded building data for each Certified Local Government (CLG) on properties that were built in or before 1969 to provide an accurate and comprehensive baseline dataset. Volunteers doing survey work need only to verify data, add in photographs and extent of alterations and architectural style data, as well as expand upon the physical description and significance statement as new data is collected. For planning purposes, the attrition rate of properties built in or before 1969 can start to be measured to guide stewardship priorities.

Project methodology entailed use of the University of Washington's State Parcel Database (http://depts.washington.edu/wagis/projects/parcels/development.php) to provide the base parcel layer for CLGs. Filtering of building data collected from each county trimmed out all properties built after 1969, as well as all current, previously inventoried properties. Translation of building data descriptors to match fields in HPI allowed the data upload. Calculation of point locations utilized the center of each parcel. Data on this detail provides a snapshot of building information as of 2011. A detailed project methodology description resides with DAHP. Project team members: Historic Preservation Northwest, GeoEngineers, and Artifacts Consulting, Inc. (project lead).

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**Physical description:** The building at 1134 2nd Street, Mukilteo, is located in Snohomish County. According to the county assessor, the structure was built in 1936 and is a clubhouse. The 2-story building has an unknown roof clad in an unknown material.